



# The NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

## Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence inspects progress of Hlinethaya-Dalla-Twantay Road, regional development

YANGON, 18 Nov—Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, this morning heard reports on progress of construction tasks presented by the Senior Engineer at the briefing hall of Hlinethaya-Dalla-Twantay Road construction site in Hlinethaya Township.

The commander and the superintending engineer gave supplementary reports.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe gave instructions on completion of construction tasks in the open season.

*Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence views broadcasting of paddy seeds at Tamangyi Village of Twantay Township. —MNA*

Lt-Gen Myint Swe viewed construction of the road at the mile posts No. 1/4 and No. 1/5. Next, he looked into harvesting of monsoon paddy and cultivation of summer paddy in Tamangyi Village of Twantay Township.

After viewing the harvesting of monsoon paddy and sowing of paddy, Lt-Gen Myint Swe looked into cultivation of sunflower between green gram plantations in Kamapa Village of Kungyangon Township.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Myint Swe inspected valves of Kungyangon Sluice Gate, storage of water and construction of a reinforced concrete bridge across Kungyangon Creek.

While in Kungyangon Township, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party oversaw the collective ploughing for cultivation of summer paddy in West Tawkhayan

### Four political objectives

- \* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- \* National reconsolidation
- \* Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- \* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

### Four economic objectives

- \* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- \* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- \* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- \* The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

### Four social objectives

- \* Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- \* Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- \* Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- \* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation



Village. They also viewed progress of Cyclone Shelter.

At Lekkhokkon Station Hospital, they presented refreshments to the patients.

At the briefing hall of Dalla-Thahkut-Lekkhokkon road section, Lt-Gen Myint Swe heard reports on progress of construction works presented by the District Senior Engineer and inspected road works at Wabalaukthauk Village of Kawhmu Township.

Later, he attended the monsoon harvesting and sowing of green gram and sunflower in Nyaungngokto Village of Dalla Township.—MNA

## A visit to Muse at the upper reaches of Shweli River

Byline & Photos: *Tin Htwe (MNA)*

Our media crew of Myanmar Alin daily last September made trips to collect some facts for bylines and visited Muse at the upper reaches of Shweli river. When we arrived Muse, the sun had already set as we dropped in Kutkai on our way to Muse.

Muse is a border town situated on China-Myanmar border and it has a robust economy as 105-mile trade zone is established in the town. We saw the night of Muse bustling with street vendors, shoppers, and vehicles and motor bikes moving about in the town under bright neon lights.

Looking from guest house on the bank of Shweli river, we saw sky-rising buildings in Zhegaun and Shweli at the side of the People's Republic of China. Shweli river separates China and Myanmar and the river flows into Shweli of China about one mile upstream from Muse.

We observed harvesting of paddy with farming equipment at 50-acre model monsoon Sinshweli paddy field of farmer U Tun Shwe of Teinlong village in Muse Township the following day. Under the beams of rising sun were endless ripe and brown paddy fields (See page 7)



Visitors taking photographs near border post at Shwe Nandaw China-Myanmar Border Gate in Muse.



## PERSPECTIVES

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### For ensuring durability of roads and bridges

Today, the whole nation sees security, peace and the rule of law due to the efforts the Tatmadaw government has been making to build national unity since its assumption of State duties.

In the meantime, the government has been implementing varieties of projects for regional development in compliance with the guidance of the Head of State for ensuring equitable development of all parts of the Union. As part of the drive, it is improving major infrastructures especially transport, education and health ones.

With smooth transport, each region is easily accessible from any other region across the nation. Moreover, national brethren of different regions have been able to deal with one another far more than ever. So, economic, education and health sectors will further improve, as a result.

Kangyi Bridge in mile post No 57/7 on Einmegyi-Myaungmya Road in Myaungmya District, Ayeyawady Division built by Public Works of the Ministry of Construction was put into commission with a ceremony held at the pavilion near the bridge on 15 November.

The facility has begun to help boost the transport of Ayeyawady Division's products such as marine products and rice to other states and divisions through the road network that covers the whole nation.

Kangyi Bridge is of broad crest type with a 24-foot-wide motorway and two three-foot-wide pedestrian walkways on it. The main bridge is 200 feet long and can withstand 60 tons of loads. The bridge is the 47th of its kind in Ayeyawady Division, and the 232<sup>nd</sup> of its kind among the above-180-foot bridges in the nation.

In its bid to improve the transport sector, the government is constructing roads and bridges one after another to ensure smoother transport between states and divisions. Therefore, local people are duty-bound to maintain collectively with a sense of duty for durability of the transport facilities.

### 199 drug related cases exposed in October

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Nov—The authorities exposed 199 drug related cases in October 2009.

They seized 62.8433 kilos of opium in 42 cases, 27.7073 kilos of heroin in 48 cases, 2.5 kilos of morphine in one case, 0.8987 kilo of opium oil in 11 cases, 3.2621 kilos of low-grade opium in 15 cases, 16.8233 kilos of marijuana in 15 cases, 640,122.5 stimulant tablets in 44 cases, 0.816 kilo of opium speciosa in six cases, 0.00816 kilo of stimulant

powder, 0.021 kilo of ICE in one case, 8371 litres of chemical liquid in four cases, 146 kilos of chemical powder in two cases, six kilos of Ephedrine in one case, 410 ampoules of diazepam in one case, 700 diazepam tablets, 7,000 Tramadol capsules in one case, three cases of failure to register and other four cases.

Action was taken against 274 persons—231 men and 43 women—in 199 drug related cases according to the law.—MNA

## People's Desire

- \* Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- \* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- \* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- \* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

### Commander attends final of 16th Commander-in-Chief (Army, Navy, Air) Wushu contest and prize presentation ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Nov—Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe together with officials concerned attended the final match of 16th Commander-in-Chief (Army, Navy, Air) Wushu contest and prize presentation ceremony held at the gymnasium of North-West command in Monywa, Sagaing Division on 16 November.

Also present were staff officers, Division, District and Township level departmental heads, commanding

officers of regiments and units, officers and their families, contestants, referees and guests.

First, the commander and party enjoyed the final match before prize presentation at which they presented prizes to the winners.

Next, the commander and party went to Baelin-Ohntaw-Nyaungpinchan national grid project at Chindwin River spanning tower construction site in Monywa where the commander heard reports on completed tasks presented by in-charge engineer.

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### CPT Minister visits communication stations in Magway and Mandalay Divisions

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Nov—Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw, on 13 November, visited overseas communication station in Taungdwingyi of Magway Division and Auto Exchange in Magway.

On 14 November, the minister inspected installation of mobile equipment in G.S.M (BTS) of Yenangyoung and visited Auto Exchange station and G.S.M mobile system operating room in Kyaukpadaung and Meiktila.

The minister inspected



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw inspects Auto Exchange in Magway.

#### COMMUNICATION

construction of factories and offices of companies invested in Yatanarpon Myothit project near

PyinOoLwin in Mandalay Division and arrival of machines on 15 November and met with officials, depart-

mental personnel and entrepreneurs at the meeting hall of Yatanarpon Teleport.

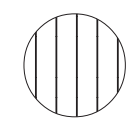
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### Myanmar short stories in circulation

YANGON, 18 Nov—The 25 Selected Myanmar Short Stories of 22 Myanmar writers, translated by Sayama Ma Thanegi into English, have been distributed by UNITY Publishing house.

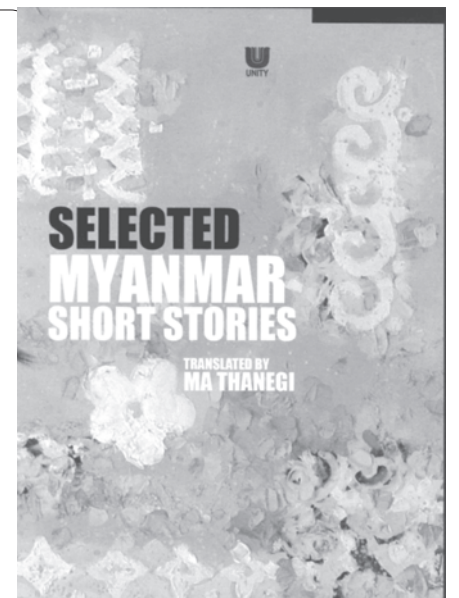
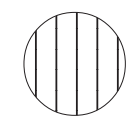
The book including arts of famous Myanmar artists was compiled by Myanmar famous writers.

The books are available at Unity publishing house at K 4,000 per copy.—MNA



Cover of Selected Myanmar Short Stories.

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### Prize presentation for Coloured Photo Contest on 6 December

YANGON, 17 Nov—The Coloured Photo Contest entitled "The Integrity of Myanmar Images" to mark the 62nd Anniversary Independence

Day which falls on 4 January 2010 was held recently.

The Scrutiny Committee has selected winners in the contest. The

prize presentation ceremony will be held at the meeting hall of Printing and Publishing Enterprise at No. 228 on Theinbyu Street, here, at 11 am on 6

December.

The winners are to contact the organizing committee for the contest, Tel: 201936 or 371342.

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*In this photo taken on 14 Nov, 2009, a big crater is seen in the middle of two destroyed government building the Ministry of Municipalities and Public, with a huge Iraqi flag on it, background, and the Justice Ministry foreground following a bomb attack in Baghdad, Iraq. Recent bombings that hit government buildings in downtown Baghdad killed more than 250 people and wounded hundreds more. The blasts also had a wider effect: slowing down the government services Iraqis use on a daily basis.—INTERNET*

## Civilian killed, seven injured in Iraq's Diyala violence

BAQUBA, 18 Nov—A civilian was killed and seven people injured on Tuesday across Iraq's volatile province of Diyala northeast of Baghdad, provincial police source said. A civilian was killed and three others wounded when unknown gunmen opened fire on an orchard in northern the provincial capital city of Baquba, some 65 km northeast of

Baghdad, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, three Iraqi soldiers and an officer were injured by a roadside bomb explosion near their patrol in the town of Balad Ruz, some 30 km southeast of Baquba, the source said.

Separately, Iraqi security forces launched security operations across

Diyala, detaining 13 suspects and defusing four roadside bombs, he added.

Diyala Province stretches from the eastern edges of the capital to the Iranian border. It has long been a stronghold for al-Qaeda militants and other militant groups since the US-led invasion of Iraq in 2003 despite repeated US and Iraqi military operations there.—*Xinhua*

## Afghan, NATO forces kill five Taliban militants, arrest 17 near Kabul

KABUL, 18 Nov—Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers backed by NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) eliminated five Taliban militants and detained 14 others in separate operations outside the capital city Kabul, officials said on Tuesday.

“Acting upon intelligence reports the joint forces raided a compound in Syed Abad district of Wardak Province 40 km west of Kabul on Monday, killing four rebels on the spot,” Shahidullah Shahid the spokesman for Wardak provincial administration told *Xinhua*.

A woman was also killed in the compound, while two more militants had been arrested, he added, but did not say if the woman was an associate militant.

In another operation, an armed militant and a farmer were killed while three suspects had been arrested by the joint forces in Nirkh district on the same day in the same province, according to Shahid.

No casualties have been reported on

joint forces, he stressed.

The statement also said 12 suspect militants responsible for anti-government activities were arrested in Mosahi district in south of Kabul province on the same day Monday.

*Xinhua*



*Afghan police officers search cars coming into Kabul, Afghanistan, on 16 Nov, 2009. In an apparent response to calls from the international community to do more to fight graft, drugs and cronyism, Karzai government officials plan to hold a news conference on Monday to underscore what it says are recent successes of its Counternarcotics Justice Task Force.—INTERNET*

*Injured Afghan boy is watched by his mother in the hospital in Herat, Afghanistan, after NATO and Afghan forces killed several militants, including an armed woman, in a search operation in the Shindand district, western Afghanistan, on 14 Nov, 2009.*

INTERNET



## Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 18 Nov—The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

### Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 32,342 Afghan people were killed and 38,022 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 18 November.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	32,342
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	38,022

Internet



*An Iraqi fire-fighter walks past a destroyed vehicle following a suicide car bomb in the northern city of Kirkuk. Gunmen in Iraqi army uniforms launched execution-style attacks west of Baghdad, killing 13 members of a tribe who took up arms against Al-Qaeda.—INTERNET*

## Invasion of US and allies kills, injures Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 18 Nov—There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

### Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 18 November reached 699,421 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1,262,028, according to the news on the internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	699,421
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1,262,028

Internet

## Afghan troops kill two Taliban group commanders, detain six in N Afghanistan

KABUL, 18 Nov—Afghan National Security Forces eliminated two Taliban group commanders and detained six others in a joint cleanup operation in northern Kunduz Province, said a statement of the Defence Ministry issued here on Tuesday.

“Afghan National Army (ANA) troops from Corps 209 Shahin launched a joint cleanup operation with Afghan National Police and National Security Directorate on Monday, killing Mullah Noorullah and Abdul Haq who were responsible for organizing subversive activities in Khan Abad district and other parts of the province,” the statement added.

Six more militants have been detained in the operation by joint forces, it further said.—*Xinhua*





*A diver dressed as Santa Claus swims with dolphins at Hakkeijima Sea Paradise in Yokohama, south of Tokyo on 15 Nov, 2009. The event will be held until 25 Dec, 2009.—INTERNET*

## IAEA report confirms “peaceful nature” of Iran’s nuclear programme

TEHERAN, 18 Nov—An Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman said on Tuesday the report released by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Chief Mohamed ElBaradei shows the peaceful nature of Iran’s nuclear activities, the semi-official *Fars* news agency reported.

“As predicted, Mr ElBaradei has reconfirmed that Iran’s nuclear activities have not been

diverted from peaceful purposes and no military activities have been seen in Iran’s nuclear work,” Ramin Mehmanparast was quoted as saying.

The report bears such a fact, “although it bears some ambiguities due to the political pressures exerted by certain powers,” Mehmanparast told reporters.

Meanwhile, Iran’s envoy to the IAEA Ali-Asghar Soltaniyeh said on

Tuesday that the latest report by the UN nuclear watchdog proved the West’s huge media hype against Iran’s second enrichment plant was based on “baseless allegations,” the satellite *Press TV* reported.

“The report confirmed that no centrifuges had been introduced into the facility and that no nuclear material had been used in it,” Soltaniyeh was quoted as saying.—*Xinhua*

## Seasonal flu may give some H1N1 immunity

LA JOLLA, 18 Nov—Previous influenza infections may provide at least some level of immunity to the H1N1 flu, US researchers found.

“The question we asked was, ‘Is the swine flu more like the seasonal flu or like a totally new strain of influenza where there would be no immunity?’,” Alessandro Sette, director of the La Jolla Institute’s Center for Infectious Disease in California, said in a statement.

“What we have found is that the swine flu has similarities to the seasonal flu, which appear to provide some level of pre-existing immunity.

This suggests that it could make the disease less severe in the general population than originally feared.”

The researchers used the Immune Epitope Database — a worldwide research tool developed and hosted by the La Jolla Institute — to conduct their study.

Initially, the research team conducted the study using computer modeling and later blood samples of adults representative of the normal population.

“We found that the immune system’s T cells — infection-fighting white blood cells in the body’s immune system — can recognize a significant percent of the markers in swine (H1N1) flu,” Sette said.

“Nobody knows what level of immunity is sufficient for protection.

We do know that a T cell response is not enough to prevent being infected by the virus.”—*Internet*



*A health officer administers an H1N1 vaccination spray at Hardy Middle School in Washington on 24 October, 2009.—INTERNET*

## Majority in US see Afghan war not worth cost

WASHINGTON, 18 Nov—Support for the US mission in Afghanistan has slipped to a new low, with 44 percent of Americans now saying the war there has been worth the cost, according to a recently released poll.

Amid mounting divisiveness over what was once one of President Barack Obama’s top for-

eign policy issues, the poll by *The Washington Post* and *ABC News* also showed ratings for how he has handled the mission there eroding, to 45 percent approving of how he is dealing with Afghanistan and 47 disapproving, compared to 63 percent approval last year.

The numbers come as Obama grapples with whether to send more US troops to Afghanistan to boost the fight against a growing Taliban-led insurgency, just a week after a stopover at a US military base in Alaska at the start of his Asia trip when he told US troops he will get “public support back home” for the mission.—*Internet*

## Sukhoi to supply newest Su-35S fighters to Russian Defence Ministry next year

Moscow, 18 Nov—Russian aircraft manufacturer Sukhoi announced on Tuesday it would supply the newest *Su-35S* fighters to the Russian Defence Ministry from next year.

Sukhoi “has begun to implement the contract of supplying 48 *Su-35S* multi-role supermaneuverable fighters to

the Russian Defence Ministry,” said the company in a statement.

The production of parts and accessories for the planes has begun.

The company is expected to finish the production of the first *Su-35S* fighter in 2010.

The fighter plane “will enhance Russia’s defence ability and renew its air force’s equipment,” said the statement.

At the MAKS-2009

air show in August, Sukhoi and the Russian Defence Ministry signed a contract under which the Russian Air Force will buy 48 *Su-35S* fighters, 12 *Su-27CM* and four *Su-30M2*.

The aircraft deliveries are to be completed by 2015.

Prime Minister Vladimir Putin has hailed the contract as “setting a record in modern Russian history.”—*Xinhua*

## Russia, US to follow new arms reduction treaty before ratification

Moscow, 18 Nov—Russia and the United States will abide by the outline of the new treaty on strategic arms reduction before it is ratified by both parliaments, said Russia’s top diplomat on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the two countries are determined to complete their work on the new treaty before 5 Dec, when the current Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START-1) expires, news agencies

cited Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov as saying.

Lavrov said it would take some time to ratify the new treaty, but even if it could not be ratified before the deadline, “there was nothing to be concerned about.”

Under the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, after signing an agreement or a treaty, the parties must refrain from any measures that run counter to the subject

and objective of the document, Lavrov explained.

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev and his US counterpart Barack Obama agreed at a July summit in Moscow on the outline of the new treaty to replace START-1, slashing their countries’ nuclear arsenals to 1,500-1,675 operational warheads and delivery vehicles to 500-1,000.

*Xinhua*

*A herd of elephants is seen at Addo Elephant National Park outside Port Elizabeth on 15 Nov, 2009.*

INTERNET





## Green tech to boost China-Malaysia co-op

KUALA LUMPUR, 18 Nov—Green technology can be the new area where China and Malaysia can build collaboration in future, a Malaysian official said on Tuesday.

Malaysian Energy, Green Technology and Water Minister Peter Chin Fah Kui made this remark while closing the World Chinese Economic Forum near here.

Chin said while green technology was believed

to be the new driver for Malaysia's economy, it also provided new impetus for China, paving ways for both nations to share knowledge together.

Green technology could also play a role in sustaining cooperative relationship between the two countries, added Chin.

Meanwhile, Chin said Malaysia was committed towards reducing the emission of greenhouse

gases in the country. Therefore, the Malaysian government had drawn up the National Green Technology Policy where the cabinet ministers were provided a venue to discuss matters pertaining to green technology.

The two-day forum drew some 300 participants China, Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, the United States and China's Hong Kong.

Xinhua



Chinese ophthalmologist (1<sup>st</sup> R) and his Vietnam's counterpart check a patient's eyes in the northern Bac Giang Province of Vietnam, on 17 Nov, 2009. The free eye surgery programme, named "Action for Bright Eye", by Chinese optical doctors for Vietnamese cataract patients living in Bac Giang was held on Tuesday.—XINHUA



The Spanish tuna fishing boat Alakrana sails near a Spanish warship in the Indian ocean after it was freed from Somali pirates on 17 Nov, 2009. Somali pirates on Tuesday freed a Spanish tuna fishing boat hijacked last month and said a \$3.5 million ransom had been paid for the vessel and its crew.—XINHUA

## Somali pirates release Spanish ship with 36 crew

MOGADISHU, 18 Nov—Somali pirates on Tuesday released a Spanish trawler with 36 crew on board after receiving more than three million US dollars in ransom, a pirate commander said.

"The crew and the ship were released after our demands were met. They paid more than three million US dollars for the freedom of the fishermen and their fishing boat who were caught looting our resources," Omar Ali, a pirate commander with the gang holding the released Spanish trawler told Xinhua by phone from Harardheere, a pirate stronghold in north central Somalia.

The Spanish fishing ship, the Alakrana, had been seized early last month off Somalia coast by Somali pirates who demanded the payment of a ransom and the release of detained pirates in Spain.

During the holding of the Alakrana, Somali pirates have threatened to harm the hostages if their colleagues currently on trial in Spanish courts were not released, a move that triggered a wave of protests in Spain demanding the Spanish government to help secure the release of the hostages.—Xinhua

## China, Brazil to advance military ties to a new high

BEIJING, 18 Nov—China and Brazil vowed to advance military relations to a new high as senior officials from both countries met here on Tuesday.

As strategic partners and large developing countries, bilateral relations between China and Brazil made strides in recent years, said Xu Caihou, Vice Chairman of China's Central Military Commissions.

In meeting with visiting Brazilian Defence Minister Nelson Jobim, Xu said China would like to work with Brazil for new achievements of the bilateral ties and made new contribution to world peace and stability.

Xinhua

## All Items from Xinhua News Agency

### Poverty level of Brazilian children remains high

RIO DE JANEIRO, 18 Nov—Despite the decrease in Brazil's social inequality indicators in the past few years, recent studies have shown that the poverty level of the country's children and adolescents remains high.

According to Summary of Social Indicators (SIS) released recently by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE), some 26.2 percent of the Brazilian children lived in families with household per capital income equal to half a minimum wage in 2008, down from 32.4 percent in 1998.

In 2008, Brazil's minimum wage was 415 reais (244 US dollars). This year, it increased to 465

reais (273 US dollars). The IBGE attributed the improvement to the government's successful programmes implemented in the past years and the stabilization of the country's economy.

In the poorer northeastern region, 66.7 percent of the children, teenagers and youngsters still lived in poverty, while in the richer and more developed southern region, the figure fell to 28.7 percent, the report said.

The study highlighted that household income helped determine school attendance rate, which increased as the level of families' income did.

For children of four to six years old, the rate of

school attendance was 77.1 percent for families living with a per capital income of half a minimum wage and the figure jumped to 98.8 percent for those with a per capita income of three times of a minimum wage, according to the report.

The school attendance rate of teenagers aged 15 to 17 in the poorest 20 percent families was 78.4 percent and for teenagers in the richest 20 percent families, the figure was 93.7 percent.—Xinhua

A man visits photography exhibition of young photographers with China's Xinhua News Agency in Angers of France, on 16 Nov, 2009.—XINHUA

### Little damage reported after 6.5-magnitude earthquake hits Canada's Pacific coast

VANCOUVER, 18 Nov—Little damage was reported after a 6.5-magnitude earthquake struck the Queen Charlotte Islands region off Canada's Pacific coast early on Tuesday morning.

The earthquake occurred at 7:30 am local time (1530 GMT) near the southern tip of the Queen Charlotte Islands, off the central west coast of the province of British Columbia, and it has been

felt across the islands with a population of about 6,000 people, according to Earthquakes Canada.

Seismologist Stephane Mazzotti reached by Canwest News Service said several aftershocks were felt quickly after the initial earthquake, but no injuries have been reported and there is no threat of a tsunami.

Xinhua







Seized drugs and weapons are displayed during a presentation to the media in Tijuana, Mexico, on 17 Nov, 2009. Army authorities arrested four suspects, including a US citizen, with weapons and drugs in Tijuana after responding to an anonymous citizen tip. —INTERNET

## FAO official says China sets example for global fight against hunger

ROME, 18 Nov—China has set an example for the global fight against hunger by successfully feeding its 1.3 billion people and offering to help poor countries, a senior UN official said on Tuesday.

“As the world’s most populous country, China has successfully used nine percent of the world’s total arable land and 6.5 percent of fresh water resources to feed 1.3 billion people, equivalent to 20 percent of the world’s total population,” He Changchui, Assistant Director-General of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), said in an interview with *Xinhua*.

He, who is also FAO’s regional representative for Asia and the Pacific, said that in comparison with the rest of the world, the Asia-Pacific region was facing a bigger challenge of food security due to a large population and limited resources.

*Xinhua*

## 45 people injured in Macao traffic accident

MACAO, 18 Nov—Some 42 tourists and three drivers were injured as three tourist coaches collided with one another on a narrow road in Macao, *the Macao Post Daily* reported on Wednesday.

The accident occurred on Tuesday morning near Macao’s landmark Ruins of St Paul’s Church, when a coach carrying 31 tourists lost control and crashed into the rear of a coach with 26 passengers onboard, which then collided with another 38-passenger coach, the daily quoted local traffic police report as saying.

Of all the passengers and drivers, 45 got injured and they were rushed to a nearby local hospital immediately after the accident.

Most of the victims sustained minor injuries such as bruising and minor whiplash, and all of them except two passengers were discharged from the hospital last evening, according to the daily.

*Xinhua*

## US public debt tops 12 trillion dollars for first time

WASHINGTON, 18 Nov—The US public debt topped 12 trillion dollars for the first time in history, Treasury officials disclosed on Tuesday, moving past a key barrier that raised hackles in Congress.

Treasury data showed on Monday’s outstanding debt at 12.031 trillion dollars, up from 11.999 tril-

lion on Friday.

The ballooning debt reflects the massive deficit spending by the government in an effort to revive an ailing economy over more than one year.

The public debt topped 10 trillion dollars in September 2008.

The debt is quickly approaching the statutory limit of 12.104 trillion dollars, meaning Congress would have to raise the ceiling to prevent a shutdown of government

operations.

Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell said the debt figures represented unwelcome news and that the 787 billion dollar stimulus plan passed earlier this year failed to keep unemployment from topping 10 percent.

“This should serve as an urgent warning that the government can’t keep spending money it doesn’t have,” he said.

*Internet*

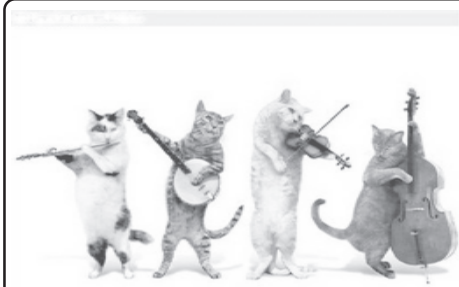
## One killed, 25 wounded in boiler explosion in Turkey

ANKARA, 18 Nov—One Turk was killed and 25 people wounded in a boiler explosion in a southeastern province of Turkey on Tuesday, the semi-official *Anatolia news* agency reported.

The explosion occurred in boiler room of the building during maintenance of the government office in Silvan town of the province of Diyarbakir, according to the report.

Local officials were quoted as saying that two of the injured people were in serious condition and they were transferred to hospitals in the city of Diyarbakir, while the other wounded people were under treatment at Silvan State Hospital.

*Xinhua*



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## Dell greens computer packaging with bamboo

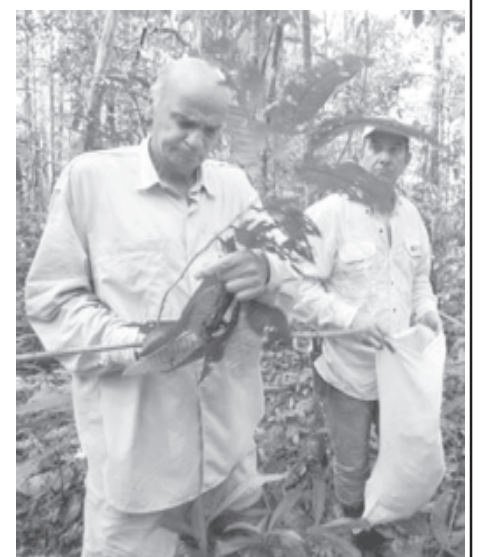
Dell Inc said it is using packaging made from bamboo in shipping its computers, representing the personal computer maker’s latest move to be a green technology company.

Bamboo material is being used first in cushions cradling Dell’s Inspiron Mini 10 and 10v netbooks to protect the products in

shipping and the company plans to expand the use of bamboo packaging to more products in early 2010.

Dell believes that bamboo, which grows fast and helps promote healthy soil, can be a sustainable alternative to molded paper pulp, foams and corrugate often used in packaging.

## NEWS ALBUM



Brazilian doctor Drauzio Varella (L) and Brazilian researcher Wilson Volanazi talk as they inspect plants in Sao Sebastiao de Cuieiras near the Cuieiras river in the Brazil’s Amazon rain forest. Finding the right material is no easy task in the world’s largest rain forest that can have up to 400 species of trees and many more plants in a 2.5-acre (1-hectare) area, and in a country where suspicion of outside involvement in the Amazon runs strong.

## Chinese Terra Cotta Warriors stride into Washington museum

An exhibition that features the largest number of terra cotta warriors ever to travel to the United States for a single show kicked off here on Tuesday. The exhibition, “Terra Cotta Warriors: Guardians of China’s First Emperor,” will officially open to public on Thursday at the National Geographic Museum, which is the final venue of the exhibition’s four-city US tour, following Los Angeles, Atlanta and Houston.

Open through 31 March, 2010, the exhibition includes 15 terra cotta figures from the tomb of China’s First Emperor, Qin Shihuang, who ruled from 221 BC to 210 BC. “The First Emperor’s

magnificent terra cotta army is one of the great wonders of the ancient world,” said Terry Garcia, National Geographic’s executive vice president for Mission Programs, in a statement.

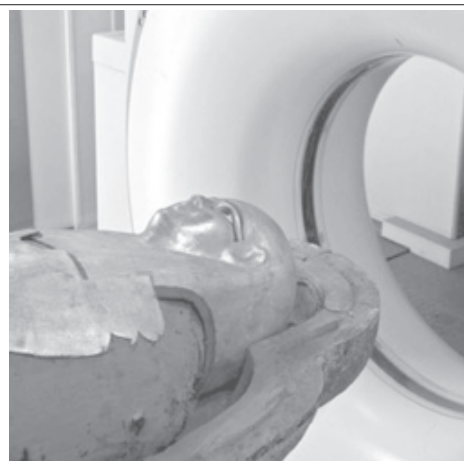
“Visitors to the National Geographic Museum will have the rare opportunity to experience one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of the 20<sup>th</sup> century as they stand face-to-face with the terra cotta warriors,” he said.

Xie Feng, minister of the Chinese Embassy to the United States, said at on Tuesday’s opening ceremony and media preview that there are three unprecedented features about the exhibition.

## No evidence of brain damage for Bangladeshi conjoined twins

Bangladeshi conjoined twins Trishna and Krishna are showing no signs of brain damage after their 27-hour head separation.

On Wednesday, chief surgeon Leo Donnan said the chance of the sisters coming out of the procedure unscathed was still just 25 percent, the *Australian Associated Press* reports on Wednesday. “That was always a long-term prognosis and a long-term view, not just from the surgery that was performed yesterday,” he said.



The mummified remains of Djeher, who lived in the Ptolemaic Era (304-30 BCE), enter a CT scanner tube set up outside of the Egyptian National Museum of Antiquities in Cairo.



# A visit to Muse at the upper reaches of Shweli River

Byline & Photos: *Tin Htwe (MNA)*

(from page 1)  
lying beside Muse-Kutkai-Lashio road (Union Highway).

In Muse, it is usual to grow monsoon paddy in April, so the harvest is earlier than other regions. We learnt that reaping with farming equipment is less time-consuming and reduces waste than reaping with sickle and the paddy harvested can be put under shelter in no time. Cows and buffaloes

sweet chestnut and sweet sop.

Muse in Muse District of Shan State (North) is sharing border with PRC in the east and north, Namkham Township in the west, Kutkai Township in the south and situated at 2,700 feet above sea level.

Muse has monsoon climate and is dry and hot in summer with highest temperature of 85 to 90 degree Fahrenheit. The

snakes, tiger, wild boar, monkey, squirrel, fox, parrot, brahminy duck, paddy bird, crow, cuckoo, and owl inhabit in Muse Township.

Shweli Yadana Yeiktha, Shwethamin monastery (Taung monastery), town hall, Shwe Nandaw building, clock tower, No.1 market of the township development committee and Hsinbyushin markets are famous buildings of the township. The places that are famous and also crowded are Nos. 1 & 2 Shwethamin monastery and Shwe Nandaw building, Lwetainkham Pagoda, Saw Mon Hla Pagoda (Eindawya) 105th-mile trade zone and entrance gate to the PRC. There are three China-



Motorbikes and vehicles on a downtown street in Muse.



Chairman U Nyunt Han of Muse Township Peace and Development Council explains cultivation of monsoon paddy of the township.

had already been replaced by farming equipment in growing crops including paddy in Muse.

In Muse, apart from paddy, maize, corn, soya-bean, groundnut, sesame, sunflower, sugarcane, tea, coffee, pepper, banana and various edible crops are cultivated and as perennial crops, rubber, mango, lemon, orange, grapefruit, pineapple, lychee, walnut, plum, damson,

township usually gets high rainfall in the rainy season on the average rainfall of about 58.54 inches.

The cold season is severe and the lowest temperature sometimes reaches at 45 degree Fahrenheit.

Shweli river, Monekoe creek, Manhai (Teema) creek, and Nampaw creek are water sources of Muse Township. Precious woods do not grow in the township and such wildlife as deer,

Myanmar border gates, Manwein gate (gate for transport of goods), Shwe Nandaw gate of Muse and the border gate (China-Myanmar).

tarred road (18 miles) and Muse-Selant tarred road (7 miles). Muse has three urban bridges, 34 rural bridges and 62 border posts.

tres, 11 rural health branches, and one border dispensary.

Water from Yegantaung is supplied to wards in Muse 24 hours



Visitors from the PRC queuing at Immigration and National Registration Department near Shwe Nandaw China-Myanmar Border Gate.



A harvester at work at 50-acre model Hsinshweli monsoon paddy field of farmer U Tun Shwe of Teinlong Village.

Muse is 53 miles long from the east to the west, 26 miles from the south to the north and covers an area of 580.57 square miles. Muse Township is composed of 19 wards, 61 village-tracts, and 281 villages with a total of 127,986 inhabitants.

Muse Township also possesses 19 self-reliant dams. As inter-township roads, there are two roads, Lashio-Muse tarred road (112 miles), Muse-Namkham tarred road (19 miles). Roads linking the town and villages are Muse-Mongyu tarred road (5 miles), Muse-Kyukok

In the education sector, Muse has five Basic Education High Schools, two BEHSs (branch), two Basic Education Middle Schools, three BEMSs (branch), 12 Basic Education Post Primary Schools, and 44 Basic Education Primary Schools.

The health sector of Muse Township is complete with one 100-bed People's Hospital, 16-bed People's Hospital, one AIDS and STD (sexually transmitted disease) treatment centre, one oral health centre, one maternal and child health centre, three rural health cen-

ter, 11 rural health branches, and one border dispensary.

The word *Mu* refers to bustling and *se* town, thus Muse means bustling town. The town Muse now is bustling town as it means. Out of border towns, Muse has highest trade volume and socio-economic status of locals is making progress with great pace.

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## Maintenance of Aungzeya Suspension Bridge inspected

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Nov—Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint on 16 November afternoon met with officials of the Ministry of Construction and responsible persons of seven entrepreneur teams at Public Works (Yangon Division Office) in Dagon Township.

The minister gave instructions on maintenance of 96-mile Pathein-Thalatkwa-Mawtinsoon Road, construction of 74 under 50 feet long bridges, 23 under 100 feet long bridges and four above 100 feet long bridges, totalling 101.

After inspecting maintenance of Aungzeya Suspension Bridge and the approach bridge, the minister looked into tarmacking of the road section between No. 5 Highway of Hlinethaya Industrial Zone to mile post No. 1/5 on Dalla-Twantay Road and storage of tar.

After inspecting MNA



Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspects tarmacking of Dalla-Twantay Road.—CONSTRUCTION

## Want to study computer networking technology?

YANGON, 18 Nov—With the aims of developing Information and Communication Technology and nurturing Myanmar network professionals, NetInfo technology training school will open MCTS and MCITP courses for professional networking.

The candidates must be between 18 and 25 years old graduates and they are to pursue the computer Networking technologies.

The school will accept three men and women for the course. They have to attend seven training courses at the NetInfo to obtain seven computer networking certificates

recognized by international community.

Those wishing to attend the course may register at NetInfo technology training school at Room-1, Hall-2, Myanmar Info-Tech, Hline Township, Yangon, Tel: 507045 and 652248, not later than 27 November.

MNA

## Asian U-18 Men's Hockey Tournament continues

YANGON, 18 Nov—The 2<sup>nd</sup> Asian U-18 Men's Hockey Tournament, organized by the Myanmar Hockey Federation under the supervision of the Ministry of Sports,

continued at Theinbyu artificial turf hockey pitch, here, today.

Pakistan beat Malaysia 4-3 in the first match; Korea passed through China (Taipei) 8-0; and Japan and

Singapore played a 1-1 draw.

On 20 November, the fixtures were drawn for Myanmar vs. Sri Lanka, Pakistan vs. Japan and Korea vs. Malaysia.—NLM



Pakistani and Malaysian teams tussling the ball in first match of Asian U-18 Men's Hockey Tournament.

MHF

## Commander looks into long staple cotton plantations



Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin views thriving Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton plantation on test plot in Htargon region of Pobbathiri Township.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Nov—Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin this morning inspected the test plot for Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton at Htargon region near Razathingaha roundabout in Nyaungbingyi Village-tract of Pobbathiri Township in Nay Pyi Taw

District and met with local farmers.

Also present at the ceremony to meet the farmers were the Chairman of the District Peace and Development Council, senior military officers, district level officials, chairmen of Township PDCs, the township manager of

Myanma Agriculture Service, local farmers and responsible persons.

An official explained the methods for cultivation of Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton.

After giving instructions, the commander looked into thriving the cotton plantations.—MNA

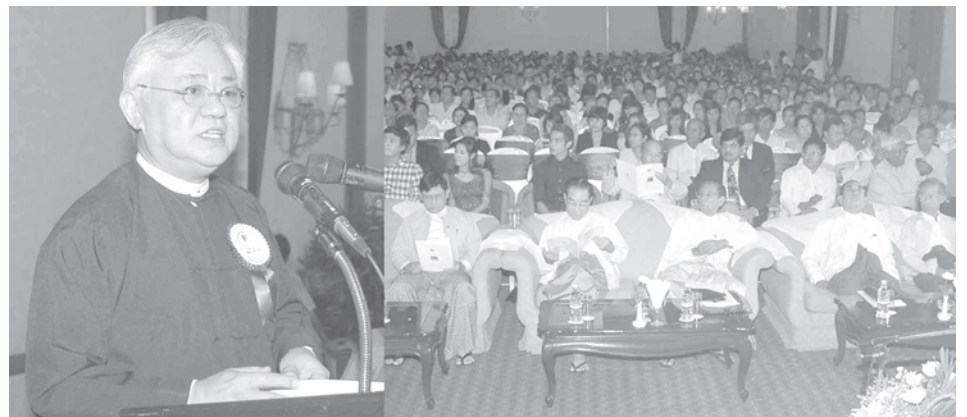
## Respect paying ceremony of Bogale No. 2 BEHS on 4 Jan, 2010

YANGON, 18 Nov—Old students of No. 2 Basic Education High School in Bogale will pay respect to their retired teachers on 4 January, 2010.

All students and teachers are invited to attend the ceremony whether they get invitation card or not.

The old students wishing to donate may contact Headmistress of No.2 BEHS Bogale (Ph: 045-45580), U Tin Htut (Ph: 045-45353), U Than Chaung (Ph: 098590103), U Tin Ohn (Ph: 098595289) and U Maung Gyi (Ph: 01-710073 and 09-5109267).—MNA

## 17<sup>th</sup> AGM of First Myanmar Investment Co Ltd held



Chairman of FMI Co Ltd Managing Agent U Thein Wai extends greetings at 17th Annual General Meeting of First Myanmar Investment Co Ltd.—MNA

YANGON, 18 Nov—The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of First Myanmar Investment Co Ltd was held at Sedona Hotel here yesterday. Chairman of Board of Advisor Col Win Maung (Retd) of FMI Co., Ltd presided over the meeting and delivered an address on the occasion.

Afterwards, Chairman of FMI Co., Ltd Managing Agent U Thein Wai extended the greetings and explained

the functions of FMI Co., Ltd.

Officials replied the queries raised by shareholders and guests.

Afterwards, responsible persons presented financial and annual reports for 2008-09, elected the CEC directors for 2009-2010 and assigned auditors.

The chairperson spoke words of thanks and the meeting was ended. First Myanmar

Investment Co., Ltd (FMI) is Yangon-based public company and makes investments in economic organizations. The company is making investments in such sector as financial services, banking, automobile sector, land reclamation for house settlement, agricultural, industries and servicing. FMI Trading Centre in Yangon is doing share exchange of FMI Co., Ltd.—MNA



# New and developing Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon with educational buildings

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)



A two-storey building of Magyibin Basic Education Middle School (Branch) in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon.



Photo shows a two-storey new building at Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon BEHS No. 1.

(from page 16)  
 "About 3,000 students are pursuing education at our school. It can be said that the number of middle school students at our school is the largest in Mandalay Division. Our school could produce the students who passed with flying colours in the previous matriculation ex-

amination. At present, new school buildings are under construction," explained Chairman of the School Board of Trustees U Tun Kyi.

We arrived at No. 1 Basic Education Middle School (Nyaunglunt). In an interview, Headmistress Daw Than Tin said, "Our school has 1190 students and 30 teachers. We

have two new school buildings. One of two was built with the contribution of the Ministry of Home Affairs and another one with the local people and departmental personnel. Thanks to construction of the new buildings, the students can see good prospects."

At Magyibin Basic Education Middle School (Branch), we had an interview with Headmistress Daw Khin Myint Hlaing. She explained, "Diamond Star Company donated and opened the two-storey reinforced concrete building in May 2008. Before construction of such building, the Ministry of Home Affairs do-

nated a school building. A total of 784 students are



Students seen at new building of Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon BEHS No. 2.



One-storey building of Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon BEMS (Nyaunglunt).



U Zaw Win, Headmaster, BEHS No. 1.

pursuing education at the school. These new school buildings reflect the improvement of future edu-



Daw Than Tin, Headmistress, BEMS (Nyaunglunt).

cation for the schoolchildren."

Today, development of Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon can be seen in all aspects. Significantly, the developing infrastructures contribute much to the students of the region in pursuit of education.

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Daw Khin Myint Hlaing, Headmistress, Magyibin BEMS.





Residents salvage through the remains of their charred houses after a fire in Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila, on 17 November, 2009.—XINHUA

## US Army suicides set to hit new high in 2009

WASHINGTON, 18 Nov—Suicides in the US Army will hit a new high this year, a top general said on Tuesday in a disclosure likely to increase concerns about stress on US forces ahead of an expected buildup in Afghanistan. The findings, released as President Barack Obama inches toward a decision to send up to 40,000 additional troops to Afghanistan, show the number of active-duty suicides so far in 2009 has already matched last year's record of 140 deaths.

"We are almost certainly going to end the year higher than last year," General Peter Chiarelli, the Army's vice Chief of Staff, told a Pentagon briefing. "This is horrible, and I do not want to downplay the significance of these numbers in any way." Another 71 soldiers committed suicide after being taken off active duty in 2009—nearly 25 percent more than the end-year total for 2008. Some had returned home only weeks before taking their own lives.

The figures applied only to the US Army. Data from other branches of the armed services was not immediately available.

In 2008, there were 268 active-duty suicides across the US armed forces, most in the Army. The military's suicide rate among active-duty soldiers was about 20 per 100,000, nearly double the national US rate of 11.1 suicides per 100,000 people, as reported by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.—MNA/Reuters

## Mexican striker dies of suspected heart attack

ATHENS, 18 Nov—Mexican international striker Antonio De Nigris died of suspected heart attack at the age of 31, his Greek first division club Larissa announced on Monday.

The official cause of death will be announced by the General University Hospital of Larissa following an autopsy. Local press reports said that De Nigris had complained of not feeling well during the night of Sunday to Monday and his wife called for an ambulance. De Nigris was pronounced dead on arrival at the hospital.

He had joined Larissa in the summer from Ankaragucu and played in six league matches for the club.—Xinhua

## US health care reform still faces strong opposition

WASHINGTON, 18 Nov—More Americans are opposed to the health care reform bill, which was recently passed at the House of Representatives, than those who support it, according to a survey released on Tuesday.

The poll conducted by CNN and Opinion Research showed that about 49 percent of Americans polled said they opposed the legislation, while 46 percent approved it.

"Roughly one in three Americans opposes the House bill because it is too liberal, but one in 10 oppose the bill because it is not liberal enough," said CNN polling director Keating Holland.

The 2,000-page bill, combining three different versions drafted by different House committees, would cost 1.1 trillion US dollars over next 10 years, but would extend insurance coverage to 96 percent of Americans, including 36 million uninsured currently, and eventually cut the federal deficit by roughly 30 billion dollars.

The poll found that 30 percent of interviewees wanted the Senate to pass the House bill with minor changes, while 22 percent wanting a bill passed at the Senate with major changes. Another 28 percent said that the Senate should start working on a completely new bill.—Xinhua



The Russian flagged icebreaker cruise ship Kapitan Khlebnikov is seen from the air near Antarctica in this undated photo released on 16 November, 2009 by the travel company Quark Expeditions, which organised the trip.—INTERNET

## Many in US still lack cholesterol tests, drugs

CHICAGO, 18 Nov—Many people in the United States are still not being screened for high levels of so-called bad cholesterol, and when they are found to have it, are often never treated, US researchers said on Tuesday.

They found one in five people in the United States have high levels

of LDL or low-density lipoprotein, the bad kind of cholesterol that can build up in the arteries and cause heart attacks and strokes.

And while common medications known as statins, such as AstraZeneca's Crestor or Pfizer Inc's Lipitor, can lower LDL cholesterol and reduce the risk of heart attacks and strokes, nearly two thirds of people in the study with high LDL were never offered these drugs. "We found 60 percent of people with high levels of LDL cholesterol didn't know about these conditions," said Dr Elena Kuklina of the US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, whose study appears in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Kuklina and colleagues studied rates of LDL cholesterol in more than 7,000 adults between 1999-2000 and 2005-2006 who offered cholesterol testing.

MNA/Reuters



A university student fires a homemade mortar against the National Assembly building during a protest in Managua, on 17 November, 2009.—INTERNET

## Long prison sentences to attackers of Indian doctor

MELBOURNE, 18 Nov—Terming the street crime against Indians as "cowardly" and "despicable", a Victorian court today handed out long imprisonment sentences to attackers of an Indian origin doctor.

Haikerwal State County Court Judge Joe Gullaci today jailed 20-year old Alfer Azzopardi who bashed Mukesh Hairkerwal with serious blows with a baseball bat, for 18-and-a-half years with a minimum of 13-and-a-half years, media reports said today.

Former chief of Australian Medical Association Haikerwal was walking through a park in the bayside suburb of Williamstown on 27 September last year when he was set upon and bashed by the men.

Another co-accused Michael Baltatzis, 20, of Glenroy, who together with Azzopardi took part in 23 armed robberies over a two-month period, was jailed for 16-and-a-half years and must serve 10-and-a-half years before being eligible for parole.—Internet



Toy soldiers are displayed for sale by a street hawker in front of the Taj Mahal Hotel, ahead of the first anniversary of the militant attacks in Mumbai that killed 166 people, on 16 November, 2009. The hotel was one of the sites of the attacks.—INTERNET





The Intel logo is advertised on a computer at an electronic store in Phoenix, Arizona on 17 Nov, 2009.—INTERNET

## India to have 'billion' mobile users soon

HONG KONG, 18 Nov—India could have more than one billion mobile phone users by 2015, with the bulk of that growth in rural areas, one of the country's top telecom executives said on Wednesday. Manoj Kohli, chief executive of India's biggest mobile phone group Bharti Airtel, told an industry conference in Hong Kong that his firm is aiming to almost double its customer base to 200 million people in the next few years.

"Achieving a billion plus (Indian mobile users)

by 2015 is possible," he told the Mobile Asia Congress, the region's largest telecom industry gathering.

"The largest growth will happen in the rural market," he said, adding that pricing wars between providers were knocking down rates in the Indian market and making phones affordable to more people.

Competition in India has become even more aggressive as new players unleash deeper price cuts with innovative per-second billing plans that have

pushed call costs down to less than a cent a minute.

"There is hyper-competition like no other place in the world," he said.

India is the world's second-biggest cellular market with more than 400 million users, lagging behind only China, which has over 600 million users.

Rural customers are also seen as key to growth in China, said Chang Xiaobing, chairman of China Unicom, one of the nation's three major telecoms operators.

Internet

## Iran to add 14 mln litres of gasoline to daily output

TEHRAN, 18 Nov—Iran's oil minister said on Tuesday that his country will add 14 million litres of gasoline to its daily output, the official IRNA news agency reported.

Masoud Mirkazemi said the production of gasoline in Iran's three petrochemical plants would decrease the amount of imported gasoline by 14 million litres per day, the report said.

At a ceremony, Mirkazemi announced the initiation of the operational phase of the project aimed at raising gasoline output in the three petrochemical plants of Imam Khomeini Port, Bu-Alisina and Borzuyeh, all situated in southern Iran.

"The project will discourage the enemies from efforts to limit Iran's access to gasoline in the market," he said.

He added that although the import of gasoline has been misused as a lever to put pressure on the Iranian people, there are various companies who are ready to extend their supply agreements with Iran.

Western countries have threatened to impose gasoline sanctions on Iran over its defiance to comply with the UN resolutions to halt its disputed nuclear activities. However, Iran's governor of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) Mohammad-Ali Khatibi downplayed the threat.

"The rainy season has ended in most countries of the world and gasoline consumption will resultantly slide to the minimum level. Thus, a large number of gasoline suppliers are vying hard with each other in a bid to sell their gasoline to Iran," the semi-official Fars news agency quoted Khatibi as saying on 26 Oct.

Xinhua

Bamboo scaffolding students developing their skills at the Construction Industry Council (CIC) training academy in Hong Kong. Nicknamed "spiders" for their gravity-defying skills in web-like constructions, Hong Kong's bamboo scaffolders have risen above predictions that their trade would disappear.—INTERNET



## TCL to launch 8.5 G LCD production line

BEIJING, 18 Nov—TCL Corp, China's leading TV maker, has announced to launch a 8.5 generation TFT-LCD production line in alliance with the government of Shenzhen City, southern Guangdong Province, *China Daily* reported on Wednesday.

TCL said that the thin film transistor-liquid crystal display (TFT-LCD) production line would be set up with an investment of nearly 24.5 billion yuan (3.59 billion US dollars). TCL and Shenzhen government-owned Shenchaos Technology Investment Ltd would form a 50-50 joint venture with each investing 5 billion yuan.

The remaining 14.5 billion yuan would be raised via bank loans and other methods, said Li Dongsheng, TCL Chairman. Construction of the TFT-LCD panel project is scheduled to begin in January and production likely to start in the third quarter of 2011. The new venture is likely to get full returns from its investment in 10 years.—Xinhua

## GM says 10,000 jobs could go in European shake-up

LONDON, 18 Nov—US carmaker General Motors could cut between 9,000 and 10,000 jobs as part of its restructuring of its European operations, Nick Reilly, interim head of GM's European business, said on Tuesday.

The company must reduce its production across Europe by between 20 and 25 percent as part of the 3.3 billion euros (\$4.9 billion) plan, although final details have yet to be decided, he told a news conference.

Reilly said he hoped to announce the full restructuring plan for Europe within three weeks after talks with governments and unions.

The company is prepared to put up some of its own cash to help fund the restructuring, but hopes to receive money from European governments too, he added. The company has about 2 billion euros of its own money to invest in the restructuring.—Internet

## Algerian Airlines buys seven Boeing 737 jets

DUBAI, 18 Nov—Algerian Airlines has ordered seven Boeing B737-800 jets, the US aircraft manufacturer announced in a statement released at the *Dubai Airshow* on Tuesday.

The value of the deal was not disclosed, but it should range between 493 million dollars and 553 million dollars, according the catalogue prices.

The Algerian carrier has been a client of Boeing for 40 years. Its fleet comprises 15 B737 and three long-haul B767 planes.

Internet



An Algerian Airlines aircraft at Algiers International Airport.—INTERNET

## Petrobras announces oil discovery in Angolan waters

RIO DE JANEIRO, 18 Nov—Brazilian state energy company Petrobras and state oil company Sonangol announced on Tuesday new oil discovery in Angolan waters. According to Petrobras, the discovery was made through well Manges-01, located in block 18/06, in deep waters 200 km away from the country's capital city of Luanda.

The Manges-01 well was drilled at a depth of 1,500 metres from the waterline and was proved with the existence of a reservoir of excellent quality in an 82-meter column in sandy Miocene reservoirs, according to the company.—Xinhua



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### CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

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Consignees of cargo carried on MV GATI MAJESTIC VOYNO (92010 ) are hereby notified that the vessels will be arriving on 19.11.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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**AGENT FOR: M/S GATI COAST TO COAST**  
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### Legislation to stop sunbed use by children

LONDON, 18 Nov—Health experts in England say legislation to stop sunbed use by children is urgently needed. In a letter to the British Medical Journal, Catherine Thomson of the Cancer Research UK and Chris Twelves of Leeds Institute of Molecular Medicine & St James's University Hospital in Leeds say at the current rate of sunbed use more than 250,000 11- to 17-year-olds in England are at increased risk of developing malignant melanoma.

Thomson and Twelves say a study involving 3,101 children has established 6 percent of teens ages 11-17 had used a sunbed and the average age of first use is 14.

A second study with 6,209 children in six cities found sunbed use highest in Liverpool (51 percent) and Sunderland (48 percent) among girls ages 15-17, with more than 40 percent using sun beds weekly.—Internet

*In this 11 Nov, 2009 photo, wrecker driver Gilbert Harrison, with MCH Towing, attaches a towing cable to a Bugatti Veyron that was driven into the water near Omega Bay in La Marque, Texas.—INTERNET*



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### Gene may explain why chimps can't speak

LOS ANGELES, 18 Nov—US researchers say they may have discovered why humans, who are genetically related to chimps, developed language and speech abilities while chimps did not.

A UCLA-Emory University team of scientists says it suspects part of the answer lies in a gene called FOXP2 that, when mutated, can disrupt speech and language in humans. The researchers say they've found major differences between how the human and chimp versions of FOXP2 work, perhaps explaining why language is unique to humans.

The scientists said their findings provide insight into the evolution of the human brain and may point to possible drug targets for human disorders characterized by speech disruption, such as autism and schizophrenia.

"Earlier research suggests the amino-acid composition of human FOXP2 changed rapidly around the same time that language emerged in modern humans," said Dr Daniel Geschwind of UCLA. "Ours is the first study to examine the effect of these amino-acid substitutions in FOXP2 in human cells."

Internet

### Four killed in Vietnam by war-era bomb

HANOI, 18 Nov—Four men were instantly killed when a bomb left over from the Vietnam War blew up as they were trying to open it to remove explosive material, police said today.

The dead were aged between 24 and 27 and were two pairs of brothers, said Nguyen Van Dieu, a police official in southern Tay Ninh Province.

"They were killed on the spot. District police are investigating what sort of bomb it was. The accident area was a target of US attacks in the war," the official from Don Thuan commune told AFP of yesterday's explosion.

Over 10,500 people have been killed in Vietnam's central provinces by bombs left over from the war, which ended in 1975, according to an earlier report by the Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation and Vietnam's Ministry of Defence.

Internet

### US supercomputers lead the world

WASHINGTON, 18 Nov—The United States earned eight of the top 10 spots on the latest list of the world's fastest supercomputers. The National Nuclear Security Administration earned three of the top 10 spots: Roadrunner (No 2, Los Alamos National Laboratory); BlueGene/L (No 7, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory); and Red Sky (No. 10, Sandia National Laboratories/National Renewable Energy Laboratory).

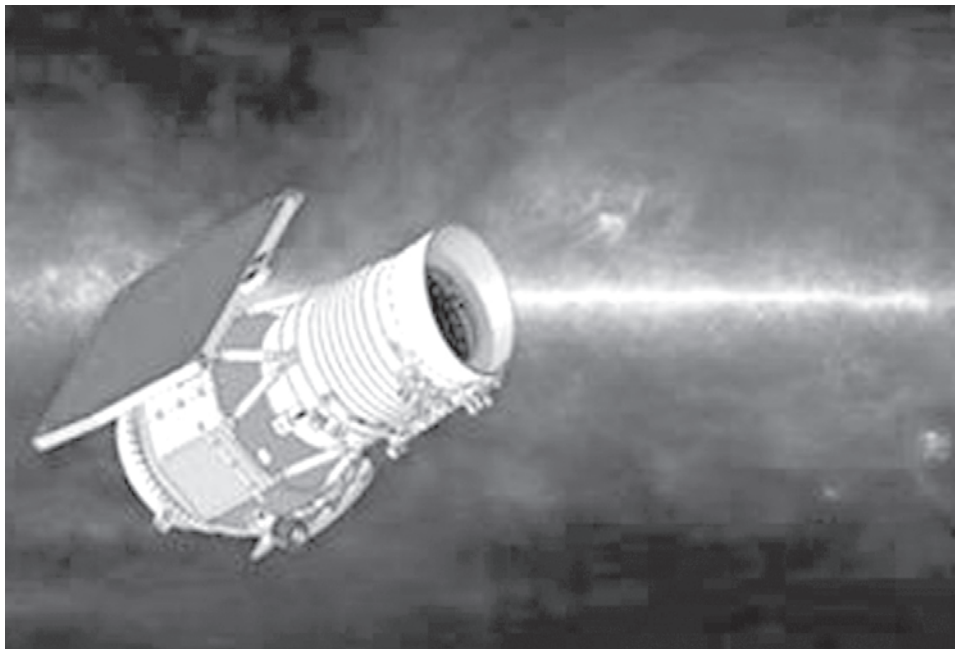
In addition, the NNSA's Dawn platform at Livermore was ranked as the 11th fastest in the world. The No 1 spot went to the Jaguar Cray supercomputer located at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. No 3 was the Kraken Cray supercomputer at the National Institute for Computational Sciences at the University of Tennessee. The sixth fastest super-computer was located at NASA's Ames Research Center, No 8 at the Argonne National Laboratory near Chicago and No 9 at the Texas Advanced Computing Center located at the University of Texas.—Internet

### UAE signs \$734.3 m deals to buy European military aircraft

ABU DHABI, 18 Nov— The United Arab Emirates (UAE) military said on Tuesday that it has inked deals worth a combined 2.7 billion dirhams (about 734.3 million US dollars) for early warning and training aircraft as the country continues to ramp up its military capabilities, reported *Maktoob Business*, a leading business news website in the region.

According to a statement released during the Dubai Airshow, which opened on Sunday, the UAE Armed Force has signed an 814.4-million-dirham agreement with Sweden's Saab for two 340 early warning aircraft and a 1.89-billion-dirham deal with Pilatus Aircraft of Switzerland for 25 basic training aircraft, the report said.—Xinhua





An artist's concept of Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer is shown in this publicity illustration on 17 Nov, 2009.—INTERNET

## NASA, Microsoft launch Web site on Mars

LOS ANGELES, 18 Nov— NASA and Microsoft Corp have collaborated to create a Website to allow earthlings to become Martians, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) announced on Tuesday.

By surfing the "Be a Martian" Website, internet users can have fun while advancing their knowledge of Mars, the JPL said in a Press release.

The public will be able to participate as citizen scientists to improve Martian maps, take part

in research tasks, and assist Mars science teams studying data about the Red Planet.

The Web site will also enable the public to explore details of the solar system's grandest canyon, which resides on Mars, call up images in the Valles Marineris canyon before moving on to chart the entire Red Planet.

The collaboration of thousands of participants could assist scientists in producing far better maps, enabling smoother

zoom-in views and easier interpretation of Martian surface changes.

By counting craters, the public also may help scientists determine the relative ages of small regions on Mars, according to the release.

In the past, counting Martian craters has posed a challenge because of the vast numbers involved. By contributing, Website users will win game points assigned to a robotic animal avatar they select.

Xinhua

## New therapy for brain cancer is developed

NEW YORK, 18 Nov— US scientists say they've developed the world's first brain cancer treatment that involves directly spraying a chemotherapy agent onto the tumor.

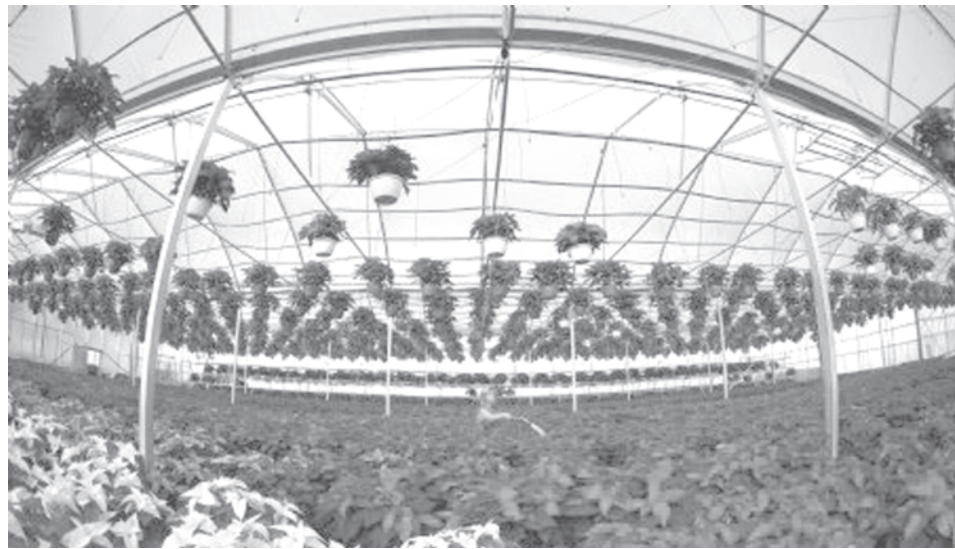
Neurosurgeons at New York - Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center said the breaching of the blood-brain barrier has been a major obstacle in treating

glioblastomas — brain cancers — because intravenous chemotherapy agents cannot effectively reach brain tissue from the blood stream. The neurosurgeons said their new procedure involves using micro-catheters that spray the drug directly onto the tumor, in hopes of halting its growth and spread, as well as avoiding common

side effects associated with IV chemotherapy, such as nausea and fatigue.

Glioblastoma is the same cancer the late Sen Ted Kennedy, D-Mass, had, and is diagnosed in 10,000 new cases each year in the United States, with a median survival time of about 15 months, researchers said.

Internet



A worker waters poinsettia plants at the Serre des Iles greenhouse in Levis, on 17 Nov, 2009. Poinsettia is a popular plant that originated from Mexico and Guatemala.—XINHUA

## Largest-ever yellow fever vaccination campaign to begin in Africa

GENEVA, 18 Nov— The largest-ever yellow fever mass vaccination campaign is set to kick off next week across three African countries — Benin, Liberia and Sierra Leone, the World Health Organization (WHO) said on Tuesday.

The week-long event will target 11.9 million people across the three countries, all of which are

at high risk of yellow fever outbreaks, the UN agency said in a statement.

The campaign, supported by the WHO, the United Nations Children's Fund, Mdecins sans Frontiers and other partners, is the first in which yellow fever vaccination drives will be simultaneously launched across several countries.

"High vaccination coverage will prevent outbreaks of yellow fever, a disease that is very difficult to diagnose in the early stages of infection," said William Perea, coordinator of WHO Epidemic Readiness and Intervention Unit.

"A single dose of the vaccine offers full protection," he said.

Xinhua

## Early oceans more temperate than thought

STANFORD, 18 Nov— US scientists say the scalding-hot sea that many of us were taught covered the early Earth might, in fact, never have existed.

Stanford University researchers who analyzed isotope ratios in 3.4 billion-year-old ocean floor rocks say their findings suggest the early ocean was much more temperate and spread across the globe much sooner in Earth's history than has been generally theorized. Professor Page Chamberlain, who led the study, said the findings also mean the chemical composition of the ancient ocean was significantly different from today's ocean, which in turn might change interpretations of how the early atmosphere evolved. "By looking at both oxygen and hydrogen in these ancient rocks we were able to put some constraints on how different the ancient ocean composition may have been from today, and then use that composition to try to determine how hot the ancient ocean was," said researcher Michael Hren, the lead author of the study.—Internet

## Russia registers 5,613 A/H1N1 flu cases

MOSCOW, 18 Nov— A total of 5,613 A/H1N1 flu cases have been officially confirmed in Russia as of Tuesday, said Health Minister Tatyana Golikova.

Golikova was quoted by news agencies as saying that to date 5,613 people in 74 federal districts were registered to have been infected with the virus, 98.9 percent of whom have been confirmed by lab tests.

Among them 132 people were in severe infection, she added.

Official death toll from the H1N1 virus in the country currently stood at 16.

Russia has launched a vaccination campaign against the H1N1 flu in five regions on 9 Nov, during which municipal service personnel involved in transportation, water and heat supplies, as well as communication will be inoculated first.—Xinhua

## Over 107,000 flu cases reported in Poland

WARSAW, 18 Nov— A total of 107,250 people were infected with seasonal flu or the A/H1N1 flu in Poland between 1 Sept and 15 Nov, Health Minister Ewa Kopacz said on Tuesday.

In the corresponding period of last year, the number of flu cases amounted to 24,843, Kopacz said after a meeting of the influenza pandemic committee.

According to a report by the National Institute of Hygiene, last week saw a drastic rise of flu cases in Poland, with the number of registered new cases reaching over 41,000, against 3,600 in the same period of 2008. On 8-15 Nov, the average daily number of reported cases per 100,000 persons reached 13.5, one of the biggest amount of cases in this time of the year in the past several years.

Xinhua

## 51 French schools closed on A/H1N1 flu

PARIS, 18 Nov— Some 51 French schools have been closed till Tuesday noon due to possible spread of A/H1N1 flu or emergence of confirmed cases, according to French Education Ministry. The series of closure has affected 16 school districts in France, totaling 116 classes. According to official statistics, the latest number was just updated from that of Tuesday morning when 32 schools were registered closed on the H1N1 flu risk, impacting 124 classes.

Since the epidemic outbreak in France, the government has granted the regional prefects right to close classes or even schools if three flu cases emerge in the same class during one week or cross infection are possible for different classes sharing same activities.

Two schools and a kindergarten were announced closed on Monday due to suspected H1N1 flu cases in southwestern France.—Xinhua



## SPORTS

## Kuyt 'disappointed' by Italy over Van Persie tackle



Dutch striker Dirk Kuyt

LONDON, 18 Nov—Dutch striker Dirk Kuyt said he was “disappointed” by the lack of respect Italy showed during last weekend’s friendly which saw fellow Netherlands forward Robin van Persie sustain an injury.

The Arsenal striker was stretchered off the pitch after being tackled by 221

Italian defender Giorgio Chiellini 14 minutes into Saturday’s goalless draw in Pescara and could be out of action for up to six weeks. Van Persie absolves Chiellini of blame but Kuyt said the challenge on the striker was symptomatic of Italy’s over-physical approach to what was only a friendly international.

“I was very disappointed (by Italy),” Kuyt told Sky Sports.

“We played a friendly against a big country and if you see the way they kicked us it’s very sad, very sad for the Dutch team and also very sad for Robin because he was in great form,” the Liverpool forward added.—INTERNET

## Giving new definition to being on tour

MELBOURNE, 18 Nov—Tiger Woods first made his move in the Australian Masters in the middle of the opening round, getting his name on the leaderboard next to a player named “Jordan” that even some of the local fans did not recognize.

Damien Jordan, the last player to get into the field, was worth getting to know.

The 29-year-old rookie fulfilled one part of his dream by making it through Q-school last year on the Australasian Tour, a goal that had been put on hold when he enlisted in the Army and served two tours in Iraq.

INTERNET



Damien Jordan from Australia tees off on the 18th hole during the final round of the Australian Masters golf tournament at Kingston Heath Golf Club, in Melbourne, Australia, on 15 Nov, 2009. Jordan finished the tournament at 11 over par.—INTERNET

## Roddick pulls out of Masters

LONDON, 18 Nov – America’s Wimbledon finalist Andy Roddick withdrew from the season ending ATP Masters tournament on Tuesday with him explaining that he had not recovered from a knee injury.

The 27-year-old has been suffering from the knee ailment since the Shanghai Masters in late October.

He will be replaced in the eight man draw by Sweden’s Robin Soderling while Frenchman Jo-Wilfried Tsonga is first reserve for the tournament which begins here on Sunday.

The draw for the two groups is on Wednesday.

INTERNET

## S Africa goal drought continues against Jamaica

BLOEMFONTEIN, 18 Nov—Goal-shy 2010 World Cup hosts South Africa flopped again on Tuesday when held 0-0 by Jamaica in a lacklustre friendly.

Bafana Bafana (The Boys) have not scored for 385 minutes and the first African nation chosen to stage the international football showpiece ended a 17-match schedule this year with just nine goals and four victories.

The closest a match watched by President Jacob Zuma came to producing a goal was midway through the first half when New York-based Jamaican midfielder Dane Richards had a shot cleared off the line.

Richards burst through the middle, evading three tackles, and slipped the ball past goalkeeper Rowan Fernandez only for captain Aaron Mokoena to rescue his team.

Jamaican goalkeeper Dwayne Miller foiled the best South African chance on 10 minutes, using his right foot to block a close-range shot from Katlego Mphela after Benni McCarthy created a rare opening.

INTERNET

## Confident Irish ready to fight for World Cup place

PARIS, 18 Nov—Irish eyes should be smiling ahead of the Republic’s World Cup playoff clash against France here on Wednesday despite the visitors trailing by a goal, according to team manager Giovanni Trapattoni.

“I’m confident, because in football every match is different. From the opponents to the circumstances, nothing’s ever the same,” Trapattoni told reporters here on Tuesday.

“I’ve told all my players to be confident. We can believe in ourselves.”

Statistics are firmly against the men from the Emerald Isle, who haven’t beaten France away since 1931 and, notably, haven’t beaten a top ranked team in official competition since a win

over Turkey in qualifiers for Euro 1992. But with a place in the World Cup at stake, it’s no surprise the Republic - aiming to qualify for the first time since 2002 when they made it to the second round - want to believe in a dream finale to their campaign.—INTERNET

## Angola prepare glitzy show for Nations Cup draw

LUANDA, 18 Nov—Pop stars, politicians and a president are among those expected to attend the African Nations Cup draw being staged by tournament host Angola here on Friday.

The event, featuring Congolese artist Papa Wemba and other Angolan singers, is being held at a shiny new glass-and-steel convention centre in the purpose-built southern suburb of Talatona.

African Football Confederation (CAF) president Issa Hayatou and members of his executive committee can also expect a rare public appearance from President Jose Eduardo Dos Santos, ruler of this oil-rich country for 30 years.

Representatives from the 16 qualifiers for the 10-31 January

tournament will also be present to witness a split into four groups from which the winners and runners-up advance to the quarter-finals.

Portuguese Manuel Jose, coach of the host nation, said he did not mind who the Palancas Negras (Black Antelopes) come up against in the first round.

INTERNET

## Atletico coach down with swine flu

MADRID, 18 Nov—Atletico Madrid coach Quique Sanchez Flores has gone down with the H1N1 swine flu virus, the Spanish club announced on Tuesday.

“Tests have confirmed that the coach is suffering from the flu,” Atletico reported in a statement on the club’s website.

“The manager is following the appropriate treatment and a good recovery is predicted,” the club added.

First team training has been handed to assistant coach Fran Escriba in the absence of 44-year-old Flores - who was only appointed to the post on October 23 after Abel Resino was sacked.

Atletico, struggling in third from bottom of the table, play Deportivo La Coruna in the Spanish league on Sunday.—INTERNET



Siphwe Tshabalala(L) of South Africa fights for the ball with Jamaica’s Jamal Campbell-Ryce during their international friendly football match at the Free State Stadium in Bloemfontein. The match ended on a goalless draw.—INTERNET

## Chelsea stars Ballack, Drogba to miss friendly

BERLIN, 18 Nov—Both Germany captain Michael Ballack and his Chelsea team-mate Didier Drogba are out of Wednesday’s friendly as the mourning Germans prepare to take on the Ivory Coast.

The entire German squad was in Hanover on Sunday at the memorial service for goalkeeper Robert Enke who committed suicide last Tuesday aged just 32 after a long battle against depression.

The game at Schalke 04’s Veltins Arena in Gelsenkirchen will be full of tributes to the Hanover goalkeeper as both sides use the match to prepare for next June’s World Cup.

A minute’s silence will be observed, the Germany players will wear black armbands, Enke’s Number One shirt will be on the German bench and a video montage of his career will be played before kick-off.

German coach Joachim Loew, who has been deeply affected by Enke’s suicide, said he is not sure who will face the Ivory Coast and will see how his side trains.—INTERNET



Andy Roddick, seen here in September 2009, withdrew from the season ending ATP Masters tournament on Tuesday with him explaining that he had not recovered from a knee injury.—INTERNET



# Magnitude Quake rattles Canada's west coast

VANCOUVER (British Columbia), 18 Nov — A 6.6 magnitude earthquake rattled residents on the west coast of Canada on Tuesday, but did not cause damage or trigger a tsunami, US and Canadian officials said.

The underwater quake was centered 260 kilometres (162 miles) southwest of Prince Rupert, British Columbia at a depth of 10 kilometres (6.2 Miles), off the southern tip of the Queen Charlotte Islands, the US Geological Survey said.

It was quickly followed by a 5.7 magnitude aftershock. "It was felt over a very broad area," said John Cassidy, a senior researcher at the Pacific Geoscience Centre in Sidney, British Columbia, Canada's main earthquake research center on the Pacific Coast.

Earthquakes are common in the area where the Pacific and North American tectonic plates meet, and the tremor appears to have been the result of the two plates sliding against each other, geologists said.

MNA/ Reuters



Taxis line up to get their tanks filled on a viaduct in Chongqing municipality, on 17 November, 2009.

INTERNET

## MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (19-11-2009) (Thursday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am ~ 10:00am)MST
Europe	- (15:30pm ~ 23:30pm)MST
North America	- (23:30pm ~ 07:30am)MST

### Local Transmission

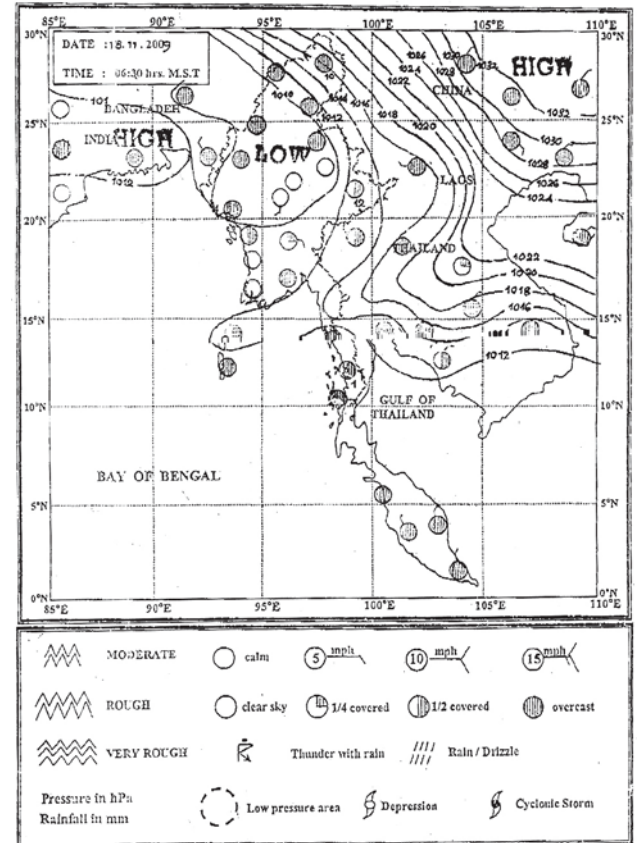
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- \* Signature Tune
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- \* Amarapura Bargaya Monastery
- \* A Visit to A Laungdaw Kassapa in Modern Days
- \* Myanmar Modern Song
- \* Red Panda
- \* Myanmar Modern Song
- \* Revelation of Manaw
- \* Culture Stage
- \* Collaborative Efforts boosting per acre yield of Crops
- \* Shan Market Day
- \* Myanmar Modern Song
- \* Recent Discovery of Late Anyathian Culture
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

### Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



## WEATHER

Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2009

### Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.

During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been fairly widespread in Mon State, scattered in Shan State, isolated in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin States, upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining areas. Night temperatures were (5°C) above November average temperatures in Shan, Chin and Mon States, (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperatures in Kachin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions and about November average temperatures in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Paung (0.98) inch, Mudon (0.75) inch, Ye (0.63) inch, Machanbaw, Kengtung and Mawlamyine (0.47) inch each, Putao, Kawkaik and Kyaikkhame (0.43) inch each and Loikaw (0.39) inch.

Maximum temperature on 17-11-2009 was 97°F. Minimum temperature on 18-11-2009 was 70°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 18-11-2009 was 85%. Total sun shine hours on 17-11-2009 was (8.0) hours approx.

Rainfall on 18-11-2009 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (111.06) inches at Mingaladon, (122.09) inches at Kaba-Aye and (129.41) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from east at (13:30) hours MST on 17-11-2009.

**Bay inference:** Weather is partly cloudy in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 19<sup>th</sup> November 2009:** Rain or thundershowers are likely to be scattered in Mon State and Taninthayi Division, isolated in Kachin and Shan States, upper Sagaing Division and weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**State of the sea:** Strong easterly wind with moderate to rough sea are likely attimes Deltaic, Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Taninthayi Coast. Surface wind speed in the strong wind may reach (35) to (40)m.p.h. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Continuation of likelihood of isolated light rain in the Northern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 19-11-2009:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 19-11-2009:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 19-11-2009:** Partly cloudy.

**Thursday, 19 November**  
View on today

<p><b>7:00 am</b></p> <p>1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်</p> <p><b>7:25 am</b></p> <p>2. To Be Healthy Exercise</p> <p><b>7:30 am</b></p> <p>3. Morning News</p> <p><b>7:40 am</b></p>	<p>4. အဝင့်ဇယမင်္ဂလံ (ယဉ်ဝေယံထွန်းတေးရေး-ဝိတစာဆိုမျိုးနွယ်ဆွေ)</p> <p><b>7:50 am</b></p> <p>5. Nice &amp; Sweet Song</p> <p><b>8:05 am</b></p> <p>6. Dance Variety</p> <p><b>8:20 am</b></p> <p>7. မြန်မာပြည်တစ်ဝန်းတွင် လွင့်ယုံနေမည့်မြန်မာရုပ်သံနှင့် ဆက်စပ်လှိုင်း</p> <p><b>8:25 am</b></p> <p>8. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ</p> <p><b>8:30 am</b></p> <p>9. “ချစ်လွန်းလို့”</p> <p><b>8:40 am</b></p> <p>10. International News</p> <p><b>8:45 am</b></p> <p>11. Musical Programme</p> <p><b>4:00 pm</b></p> <p>1. Martial Song</p> <p><b>4:10 pm</b></p> <p>2. Cute Little Dancers</p> <p><b>4:25 pm</b></p>
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<p>3. Musical Programme</p> <p><b>4:40 pm</b></p> <p>4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ တတိယနှစ် (ရက္ခပေးအထူးပြု) (ရက္ခပေး)</p> <p><b>4:55 pm</b></p> <p>5. Songs For Uphold National Spirit</p> <p><b>5:00 pm</b></p> <p>6. Dance Of National Races</p> <p><b>5:10 pm</b></p> <p>7. “တက္ကစီမိတာသင်လိုရာ”</p> <p><b>5:20 pm</b></p> <p>8. သဘာဝပတ်ဝန်းကျင်နှင့်ကြွယ်ကြွယ်အိတ်</p> <p><b>5:35 pm</b></p> <p>9. ဝိတသံစဉ်အလှဆင်</p> <p><b>6:00 pm</b></p> <p>10. Evening News</p> <p><b>6:15 pm</b></p>	<p>11. Weather Report</p> <p><b>6:20 pm</b></p> <p>12. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ “ဘောလုံးကန်နည်း” (အပိုင်း-၄) (ဇာတ်သိမ်းပိုင်း) (သူရလင်းယမင်းမြင့်သိန်း) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)</p> <p><b>6:35 pm</b></p> <p>13. ထူးစမ်းတွေလာများကိုသိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း</p> <p><b>7:00 pm</b></p> <p>14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မေတ္တာလောင်းရိပ်” (အပိုင်း-၁၃)</p> <p><b>8:00 pm</b></p> <p>15. News</p> <p>16. International News</p> <p>17. Weather Report</p> <p>18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မေတ္တာလောင်းဆုံ” (အပိုင်း-၇၅)</p>
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- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- ★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

### People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

- VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
- RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
- Do not allow ourselves to be swayed
- By broadcasts designed to cause troubles

## New and developing Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon with educational buildings

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon enjoying fruits of agriculture and transportation sectors is formed with five wards, and the Yangon-Mandalay Highway passes through it.

Nowadays, the development undertakings such as local roads, lamp-posts, departmental offices and residential buildings can be seen in the developing metropolis. Now, the town's economy improves in trading various kinds of crops.

We, the news crew of the Myanma Alin daily, arrived at Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon to write bylines on regional development. Along the trip to the township, we saw lush and green neem trees and toddy-palms which are the symbols of Anya (tropical) region.

Especially, we witnessed the developing scenes of basic education schools in the region.

While in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon, under the arrangements of Chairman U Nay Aung of Township Peace and Development Council, we had an opportunity to visit the basic education schools.

On arrival at Basic Education High School No. 1, Headmaster U

Zaw Win explained the progress of the school to us. He said. "Our school has 3,415 students from the kindergarten to the matriculation with 117 teachers. The school has 55 classrooms. The number of students at our school is the largest in Nay Pyi Taw. So, new

school buildings were constructed with the contributions of the State and the local people. The golden jubilee anniversary of the school fell in 2007. To mark the golden jubilee anniversary of the school, alma maters funded the construction of 140 feet by 30 feet

two-storey building with the assistance of the government. Moreover, the construction task was completed for a one-storey four-classroom building donated by staff of Max Myanmar Company. Construction and donation of new school buildings contributes

much to teaching the students."

We proceeded to Basic Education High School No. 2 of the township. All the school buildings are one storey each. Among them, we saw three new school buildings.

(See page 9)



Photo shows new school building donated by staff of Max Myanmar Company for No. 1 BEHS in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon.

